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TITLE: PLAYING AREA MODULE COMPRISING SEVERAL ELASTICALLY DEFORMABLE PANELS MAINTAINED IN A CURVED CONFIGURATION, AND CORRESPONDING PANEL

REMARKS ON PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In conjunction with the filing of the present application, and prior to an initial Official Action on this matter, please amend the above-identified application as provided.

Please note that the following amendments apply to the attached specification and claims labeled for U.S. filing. This combined application incorporates the original application and any amendments or annex to the International Application in the proper order, including the correct original and substitute pages, claims and drawing sheets.

In this preliminary amendment, please consider the following remarks in conjunction with the amendments to the above-identified application as follows:

REMARKS

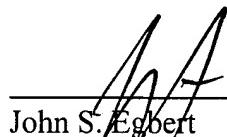
The present Preliminary Amendment has been entered for the purpose of placing the application into a more proper U.S. format. In particular, certain grammatical and idiomatic inconsistencies have been corrected by amendment to the specification, and the application is

corrected for certain typographical errors found in the originally submitted application. No new matter has been added by these amendments. The present application incorporates the original filing including any amendments made in the international filing. There were no amendments in the International Application, and International Preliminary Examination was not demanded. The original claims of the priority application were amended but not submitted in the International application. As such, the present specification and claims submitted for U.S. filing incorporate the most recent set of claims.

The Claims have been amended so as to conform with U.S. requirements and so as to remove multiple dependent claims. The Abstract has been amended so as to conform to U.S. filing requirements.

Applicant respectfully requests that the present Amendment be entered prior to an initial Official Action on the present application.

Respectfully submitted,


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